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In re Application of:

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For: Method and System for Automated
Testing of Network Elements

Art Unit: 2858

Examiner: To be Assigned

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97-1.98, and in accordance with the duty of candor set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. Copies of the references cited below are enclosed along with a copy of completed Form PTO-1449.

I. CITED REFERENCES

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Document Number	Date	Name
1) 4,022,979	5/10/1977	Smith
2) 4,430,530	2/7/1984	Kandell et al.
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4) 5,949,773	9/7/1999	Bhalla et al.
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Other Documents

- 7) Test Equipment System – M II, Multi Call Generator, February 1, 2001, pages 1-3.
- 8) NeoPoint, Inc., Engineering Services Measurements Products, PORTABLE MCS, February 1, 2001, pages 1-3.
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II. Discussion

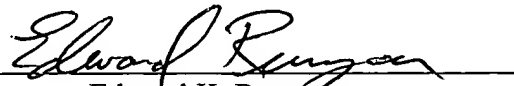
Applicants submit that these documents, whether taken alone or in combination, fail to show or suggest the claimed subject matter. Applicants request that the Examiner consider the entirety of each document and make them of record in this application. Applicants' submission of these documents for consideration is not to be construed as an admission that the documents qualify as prior art to the claimed subject matter, a representation that a search has been made, nor as an admission that the information is considered to be material to patentability.

Respectfully submitted,

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